

**Minutes of the FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING of
Sixpenny Handley & Pentridge Parish Council
Held at the Sixpenny Handley Parish Office on 24th August 2023 @ 7:30pm.**

Item		Action By
	0 Members present at the Public Open Session	
1041	<p>Attendance & Apologies Cllr J Reed (Chairman) Cllr S Meaden (Vice Chairman) Cllr D Chick Cllr A Turner Cllr R Adams Cllr C Taylor Cllr D Adams Cllr S McLean Cllr I Mereweather</p> <p>Also in Attendance Cllr Piers Brown (Dorset Council Cranborne Chase) Mrs Ciona Nicholson (Clerk)</p> <p>Apologies Cllr D Chick</p>	
1042	<p>Declarations of Interest & Grants for Dispensation</p> <p>None.</p> <p>*Cllr I Mereweather <u>does not</u> have a pecuniary interest in Item 1047 however as a Planning Consultee on Application P/VOC/2022/05646 Frogmore Lane, Cllr Mereweather left the meeting whilst members discussed and voted on this item.</p> <p>The following members declare non-pecuniary interests in matters relating to:</p> <p>Cllr Colin Taylor – Pentridge Village Hall & SH Village Hall 1st Woodcutt Scouts/ Community Fund. Cllr James Reed – Community Land Trust & Community Speed-watch Cllr Andy Turner – Community Land Trust/Skate-park Fundraising Group/Sustainable Handley. Cllr David Adams – Sixpenny Handley Sports Facilities/ Allotment Association Cllr Rosalie Adams – Sixpenny Handley Village Hall / Community Fund. Cllr Simon Meaden – 1st Woodcutt Scouts/Allotment Association.</p>	
1043	<p>Dorset Council Cranborne Chase Councillor Piers Brown</p> <p>Dorset Council are currently carrying out their annual canvassing in order to validate the electoral register.</p> <p>Parish members noted that the lack of colour on the Dorset Council logo prompted suspicion of scam.</p> <p>It was noted that the resident responsible for the Paddock Close highway obstruction has been issued with legal notice to remove it. A works order has been secured to remove and tidy up the foliage that has grown since its illegal installation.</p> <p>Parish members remarked that any costs incurred as a result of damage to the street furniture should be passed onto the resident rather than to public expense.</p>	

<p>1044</p>	<p>Confirm the minutes of the Full Parish Council Meetings held 22nd June 2023 & 6th July 2023.</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting having been previously circulated to members were confirmed as correct and was signed by the Chairman. Unanimous</p>	
<p>1045</p>	<p>Matters arising from the last Full Parish Council Meeting held 6th July or 22nd June 2023.</p> <p>Members noted ‘Police presence’ in the village had improved since the last PC meeting. Identifying time lags in the Police system and introducing ways to address this has been established. However, it is important for members of the public to understand all crimes must be reported directly to the Police either via 101 direct call, 101 on-line or as a 999 Emergency. Parish Council members can reassure residents that the reporting of an offence is confidential and that identities are protected.</p> <p>Home-watch Team have invited local Rural Police Team and Police & Commissioner for Dorset Mr David Sedgewick to attend the next scheduled meeting - date to be confirmed.</p>	
<p>1046</p>	<p>Confirm the minutes of the Finance & General Meetings held on 6th July 2023 & 3rd August.</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting, having been previously circulated to members were confirmed as correct was signed by the Chairman. Unanimous</p>	
<p>1047</p>	<p>Frogmore Lane Development – Communication from Head of Planning, Economic Growth and Infrastructure – Mr Mike Garrity.</p> <p>Letter dated 21/8/23 from Dorset Council’s Mr Mike Garrity was circulated prior to the FPC meeting.</p> <p>Members of the Parish Council were immensely disappointed with the Head of Planning response as although it addressed many of the concerns raised it failed to address the following; sequential test failings, disregarding having an alternative planning option available and recognising that a short adjournment would have been appropriate, as it would have allowed a greater understanding for those Planning Committee members unfamiliar with complex flood risk issues.</p> <p>Members acknowledged that planning consent granted by Dorset Planning is <i>conditional</i> based on a further geological report to be provided by the Lead Flood Authority & Environmental Agency of the proposed area which will be required to address groundwater risk and hydro nodes that were recently identified prominence in the area.</p> <p><u>Parish Councils’ debate regarding proceeding with a Judicial review</u></p> <p>Members discussed the step by step process of a judicial review and the anticipated hefty legal costs associated. Members also considered the maximum ‘gain’ if a successful legal review was won. The requirement for specific planning advice (essential but costly) and a loss would also attract Dorset Councils’ legal costs on top of those incurred by the Parish Council. Members estimated that the costs could be at least £10,000.00.</p> <p>Clr Brown contributed to the lengthy and impassioned discussion with his own experience of judicial review by a local Town Council. He encouraged serious consideration to the likelihood of success and the PR impact of potentially losing Tax Payers money.</p> <p>Risks Identified: Fees both sets of costs, costs outweigh the advantages as only a Variation of Condition planning application.</p> <p>Alternative response: A Parish point of review identifying being consistently let down – more beneficial. Members agreed to respond directly to the letter of 21/8/23.</p> <p>Proposal: The proposal <u>not</u> to go to a judicial review of planning application P/VOC/2022/05646 Northern Area Planning Committee Meeting 18 July 2023 based on financial risk outweighing gain.</p> <p>Members present unanimously agreed not to seek a judicial review.</p>	

<p>1048</p>	<p>Skate-park Development – Contract Sourcing</p> <p>Cllr Turner outlined the process to date detailing a presentation to the CCIO recently where it was identified that the Parish Council own the land and any development contracts need to be with the PC.</p> <p>For the heads of terms to be achieved, the intent is to issue a contract (draft copies circulated prior to the meeting) to 3 suppliers listed in the Skateboard UK website (https://www.skateparks.co.uk/builders/), there are several, the ones chosen are based on the fact that they provide concrete based solutions and are builders with the most skate-parks built - the numbers in brackets below. The ones chosen are 1st, 3rd and 4th in this list. The one listed 2nd on the website do not build concrete skate-parks.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maverick Skate-parks (108) 2. Gravity Skate-parks (57) 3. Canvas Skate-parks (45) <p>Proposal: To finalise the draft contract and supporting letter to Skateboard Contractors and circulate to members before sending to Contractors.</p> <p>Members resolved unanimously to approve the proposal.</p> <p>It is anticipated that the evaluation will be completed mid-October and approval to issue a contract sought at the October FPC.</p>	<p>AT</p>
<p>1049</p>	<p>Recreation Ground Plans</p> <p>Clerk explained that Dorset Councils’ Capital Leverage Fund requires additional evidence of external funding before DC funding can be released. Until further suitable grants become available the PC does not qualify for this round of applications.</p>	
<p>1050</p>	<p>DAPTC Matters</p> <p>No matters to report this month.</p>	
<p>1051</p>	<p>Highways</p> <p>DC Temporary Closure of the High Street – Open-reach to carry out works on 13/9/23 between 09.30-14.30. AT to post notification on local communications</p> <p>Property owned by Mr Crabb – Hedge is severely over hanging the pavement forcing pedestrians to walk on the road is causing a hazard. With the imminent return to school children’s safety is at compromised. Clerk to send a letter and contact Highways to enforce the cutting back of the hedgerow.</p> <p>Dean Lane bungalows – the depth of hedgerow is overhanging the pavement. Clerk to contact Highways.</p>	<p>AT</p>
<p>1052</p>	<p>Rights of Ways</p> <p>No matter to report this month.</p>	
<p>1053</p>	<p>Correspondence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dorset Council Update circulated prior to FPC • Dorset Business News circulated prior to FPC • DAPTC E-news circulated prior to the FPC • Sharon Carter Book Keeping – Period of Engagement document signed off by Chairman & Clerk for period ending 31 March 2023. • Wessex Internet Josh Goodchild Community Engagement Manager has notified Wessex 	

	<p>Internet’s early stage Planning to roll out full fibre in Sixpenny Handley – He will attend next month’s FPC meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email received from local resident interested in renting a small plot of land for dog training classes. Clerk to forward details to the Cllr Reed. • Email received from local resident interested in a career change to working agriculture. Clerk to forward details to Cllr Reed. • Email received from PCSO 8194 acknowledging attending the First School on 9/8/23 to investigate reports of deliberate damage. No evidence to report. 	
<p>1054</p>	<p>Information to Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dorset SID Team to meet with new members of the Community Speed Watch Team on 6th September 2023 @ 10.00am. • Defibrillator cabinet has been installed at the Recreation Ground, Clerk to arrange the installation of the Defibrillator and register on The Circuit. • New Defibrillator pads have replaced the expired pads in the local Shop. • Cllr Mclean informed members of a vacancy in Pentridge/Woodyates for the delivery of the Downsman. 	
<p>1055</p>	<p>Communication Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solar Power Update • Police presence update. 	

Meeting Closed 8.54pm
 These minutes are to be signed by the Chairman after approval
 at the next Full meeting of the Parish Council.

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28th September 2023